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Last Year's Situation Over Again in This State.

What is being done with regard to the Governorship this year is only what was done with regard to the Mayorship last year.

It was realized then that without a union of the anti-Tammany elements a Tammany victory in the city was certain. Accordingly a union was arranged last year and a ticket acceptable to all anti-Tammany forces was nominated. A Tammany victory in the state this year is equally certain unless there is co-operation among those opposed to Tammany.

This year Colonel Roosevelt offers to support a good Republican for Governor if that good Republican is agreeable to the Republicans generally.

That is the only way in which a union of the anti-Tammany parties can be effected. A mutually agreeable candidate has to be suggested. A proposal has to come from one side or from the other. If both sides stood upon their dignity and each refused to approach the other co-operation would be impossible.

It would have been regarded as treason to the city if the anti-Tammany parties last year had turned their backs on each other and gone their several ways. Our Democratic friends who are now denouncing measures looking toward co-operation would have exhausted their vocabularies of condemnation if the Republicans or the Progressives had last year refused to make common cause with the other anti-Tammany forces against the Fourteenth Street boss. Colonel Roosevelt was besought then to use his influence for Whitman by the very people who are now loudest against the Republicans running a candidate for Governor who will have Progressive support.

Wherein is the situation different now? The issue is the same. Shall the state be saved from Murphy? If it is to be it can only be by nominating a man who will have the support of more than one party. If the Republicans refuse the support of the Progressives offered in the way it is, with out conditions, and for so good a Republican that he was the leading candidate for the Republican nomination for another high office than the Governorship—if the Republicans refuse Progressive support under such circumstances, on them and not on the Progressives will rest the responsibility for dividing the opposition to Murphy and for turning the state over to Tammany Hall.

A union against the forces of corruption is possible, and upon a Republican, a Republican whose name was upon everybody's lips as his party's probable candidate for the United States Senatorship. What more can the Republican party ask than the prospect of victory with one of its own favorite sons?

There is some weeping over the damage to direct primaries which will come from thinking before voting in them. Our neighbor "The World," which is getting ready to do its annual service to Murphy, sheds the largest tears. It didn't damage direct primaries last year in this city to arrange a basis of union in advance of them.

Governor Hughes was a good direct primary man, the father of direct primaries in this state. The very people who are now so solicitous about direct primaries used to say then, when they were fighting him, that direct primaries would prove a curse because they would make fusion impossible. That was a count in the indictment against them then. Now it seems to be regarded as their singular virtue, to be preserved at any cost, that they prevent fusions. That was not the Hughes idea. He believed and said that it would be perfectly possible for parties that wanted to get together for an election to talk it over in advance, precisely as was done in this city last year. These old opponents of Governor Hughes are very much keener about the integrity of direct primaries than he was, now, when it suits their purposes to be so.

Texas Speaks Its Mind on Wilson.

The result of the Democratic primary in Texas is anything but comforting to the Wilson administration. A strong Wilson leader, Thomas H. Ball, backed by endorsements from Mr. Wilson himself, from Secretary Bryan and from Postmaster General Burleson, has been beaten for the nomination for Governor by a friend and follower of Champ Clark.

Mr. Wilson carried the Texas primaries in the spring of 1912, breaking the power of the old Bailey machine. Most of the politicians thereupon went over to him. All the federal patronage has been in their hands and one of their number, Mr. Burleson, was put into the Cabinet. Yet in the first primary since the inauguration the Texas Democrats have turned down the administration faction by a majority estimated at 50,000.

It is predicted that the state convention will criticize some of the administration's policies. We hardly think that the present disaffection will take that extreme form. But any enthusiasm over the administration will be of the below zero kind. Texas only reflects the feeling which is ready to manifest itself in most of the other states. If a

Democratic administration can't please Texas, what other communities can it hope to please?

The Fitzgerald Strikers Getting Cold Feet.

At a meeting yesterday in Mr. Fitzgerald's committee room sixteen embattled Tammany and near-Tammany Representatives in Congress from this city decided to go in person to the White House and remind the President of their existence. In Tammany circles there is one sure way of telling whether a politician is alive or not alive. Is he or isn't he handling patronage? Judging from their own complaints our Tammany Congressmen have been in a state of suspended animation ever since the Wilson administration came into power. The President has counted on them to vote right, but has turned all the New York offices over to Secretary McAdoo, the Lord High Admiral of the Revenue Cutter fleet, and the "Boy Scouts" in this city who are so vigorously reorganizing the Democratic party.

It is reported that many of the Fitzgerald militants are losing their fighting edge. It took two hours of hard work yesterday to pass a modest resolution requesting the President to "discuss matters for the welfare of the Democratic party in the City and State of New York." With what credentials entitling them to discuss such a question do these Murphy "rubber stamps" approach Mr. Wilson? We do not wonder that many of them shrink from a possible cross-examination of their claims to be recognized as genuine Democrats.

The luckiest members of the Tammany delegation, to our mind, are the two who have deserted Washington for a trip to Europe. They may not go down to history among the "patriots" whom Mr. Wilson sardonically praised in Philadelphia on July Fourth for sticking "in hot Washington" and doing their work. But they don't have to join the Fitzgerald procession to the Presence in the White House.

We still believe that the Fitzgeraldites would be wiser to compromise on a trip down the Potomac on the revenue cutter Apache and call the patronage strike off.

The Tragedy of Two Eggs.

The supporters of Miss Becky Edelson will undoubtedly be able to prove that eggs are not food. After the mental achievement involved in some of their theories this little thesis will hardly give them a vigorous debate.

Unfortunately, however, by succumbing to the lure of two eggs—or, to be accurate, the whites of two eggs—Miss Edelson has aroused an enemy of the hunger strike almost certainly fatal to its success. Not the clamor of an empty stomach! That may yet be overcome. But who can overcome the widening smile which greets the comic spirit when it enters the halls of martyrdom?

It makes no difference that tragedy has presided at other hunger strikes. Comedy is always at the elbow of tragedy, and woe to the tragedienne who makes a slip and starts chuckles when there should be sobs! Miss Becky made that slip. For a bare moment she forgot the demands of her part. Her halo vanished. It is now her tragedy that she might as well order a handsome omelet and call the strike off.

A General European War Still in the Balance.

The responsibility for preventing a general European war has now been transferred to the German Emperor. Great Britain has asked Germany, France and Italy to join in an effort to settle by mediation Austria-Hungary's quarrel with Serbia. Italy, a member of the Triple Alliance, has accepted the suggestion. France will probably be glad to accept it, the absence of President Poincaré and Premier Viviani making it necessary to postpone a definite answer until to-day or to-morrow. It rests largely with Germany, therefore, whether Austria-Hungary is to be restrained from making war on Serbia in order to obtain redress which should be sought and can readily be obtained through diplomatic action.

Emperor William is Francis Joseph's closest ally, and in recent years his political and personal relations with the late Archduke Francis Ferdinand were exceedingly intimate. He is in all the secrets of Austro-Hungarian policy and has been instrumental in shaping and guiding that policy. He is the one European ruler whose advice Austria-Hungary would be least likely to reject. The government at Vienna would probably retreat from its unreasonable position if he should counsel it to do so.

It must be remembered that from the viewpoint of international law Austria-Hungary's demands on Serbia were extreme and arbitrary. The Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife were assassinated in Austro-Hungarian territory by an Austro-Hungarian subject. The Serbian government had no direct responsibility for the crime. In a vague way it is charged that Serbian secret societies and individual Serbians have engaged in an agitation which fomented crimes of that sort on the part of Austro-Hungarian subjects.

The government at Vienna demanded of the Serbian government that it should take public measures to discourage the activities of societies and individuals tending to incite crimes like that at Sarajevo. Serbia recognized the propriety of Austria-Hungary's representations and agreed to nearly all the Austro-Hungarian demands. But it naturally refused to allow Austro-Hungarian officials to come into Serbia and take part in the suppression of agitation and the punishment of agitators. To permit that would have been a clear renunciation of sovereignty.

No doubt during Fenian and Land League days hundreds of naturalized Americans contributed in money and other ways to encourage lawlessness in Ireland. But the government of Great Britain would never have thought of proposing to the United States that British officials should come here and participate with our officials in punishing these fomenters of crime in another country.

Serbia's attitude has been extremely conciliatory from the point of view of international rights, and with a little patience all the guarantees to which Austria-Hungary is entitled could easily have been obtained through negotiation. It is, therefore, the world's verdict that the Viennese government was over-hasty and dictatorial and that it has no just ground for threatening the peace of Europe by invading Serbia.

To precipitate a general war on so flimsy a pretext would be a crime against civilization. The other European powers owe it to humanity to prevent a wanton breach of the peace of the Continent. There is still some chance that reason will prevail and that the trouble between Austria-Hungary and Serbia will be mediated. If it is not, a war will be provoked from whose waste, suffering and demoralization it will take the world many weary years to recover.

The Conning Tower

THE ITALICS ARE MOORE'S.

Oh, ever thus from childhood's hour,
I've seen my fondest hopes decay;
I never loved a tree or flower
But 'twas the first to fade away.

My varicolored hues turn grey;
The cream I skim is ever sour—
Now, always, it will be for aye—
Oh, ever thus from childhood's hour!

The storm clouds always seem to lower
Before I make sufficient hay;
I've longed for sun and seen it shower—
I've seen my fondest hopes decay.

Haply I meet a lovely fay,
And breathe, with all my poet's power,
"Don't you love nature?" She will say:
"I never loved a tree or flower."

Or bolder, in some shady bower
I grow . . . She says, "Don't get so gay!"
I never knew a fair and thoughtful
But 'twas the first to fade away.

I try to trill a deathless lay
And then the jinx begins to glow,
I have to steal from Moore to-day
To get a leader for the Tower.

Oh, ever thus!

The golf fan is a pest and the baseball filbert a nuisance. But the tennis nut is the unfriendliest of all. You should hear him rave about the Davis Cup team selection. To his notion, the choices were made solely so that Australasia might win.

There is only this in his favor, he is far from numerous. And the percentage of unfairness in tennis commentators is unusually low.

IT TAKES ALL KINDS, ETC.

There's nothing to me that is quite so distressing
These days when the Fahrenheit soars 'mongst the trees,
As to see a young top who's gone daffy on dressing—
With trousers that flap halfway up to his knees.

Sir: Please pin a flower on the politician who pronounces "circumstance" "co-cumstance," thus conciliating all classes.

FREDDIE.

DULCY VERSIFIES ON THE LINKS.

I'm off my play this year. Strange for
Last season other people said
My form was good, if not my score,
And I would soon go straight ahead.

When there is nothing in the way,
My drive is high and far and straight;
With pond or bunker near my play
I must go in as sure as fate.

A hazard's only mental; yet
That's just the reason I go in it.
This game requires a suffragette,
With nerve instead of nerves, to win it.

Long putts straight as a die I've sent
But short ones I am sure to miss;
I fear I've too much temperament
To play in any game like this.

DULCINEA.

Progressive is entered in the fourth race at Empire City to-day, but so is Rolling Stone; and we are nonplussed.

THE DIARY OF OUR OWN SAMUEL PEPYS.

July 25—Lay late, until little Carol came to call me, and bid me good morning, which she did very sweetly and did sit at table with me whilst I did have breakfast, and then Mistress Lilian did take me to ride over the country in her petrol-wagon and in the afternoon all for a plunge into the Sound, and swam near 1/2 mile with C. Riegelman, who is a fine swimmer and the best host I have had in near a fortnight. In the evening he and L. to a dance, but I despising such frivolities did stop at home and read a little R. Browning's "The Ring and the Book," very fine, and the first time ever I read it.

26—Up and to Edgware and saw some fine tennis playing, in especial Mr. Alrie Man's. And 't did dishearten me to think that I could never play so well as some that are deemed inferior players; and to play as well as Mr. Wilding I would give all I possess. To the city in the evening and laboured until eleven, when to a publick with G. Rice the poet and had some ginger-beer and something to eat, but R. did warn me against his grilled oranges with maple syrup, which was needless counsel, forasmuch as I would not order such fodder to keep me from starving.

27—Slept very ill, what with some mosquitoes that buzzed noisily, and just after my telling 23. Penbenton of the horrors of them in Long Island. And now they are in my own room, in the city! Up early and to the courts with H. Kellock and I played well, but not well enough to beat him more than one set in four, and then we to a cheap fly-fished publick and had some soup and bread and cheese. Thence with Margery to the ballgame, and I saw the Pittsburghs defeat the Giants, and won \$8. from W. Trumbull on it. To the office and hard at work and thence to the playhouse to see Julius Tannen's first performance in the part of "Mawruss Perimutter" in M. Glass's droll play.

That hiatus between the Giants' and the Cubs' standings remains as gappy as ever. Miss Arabella Cluch is the o. f. coquette, apparently; no neo-feminism for her.

Offhand now, you who talk about the war, what's the capital of Serbia? What are its boundaries?

Ode to New Britain's City Commissioners.

[F. J. Egan is in the New Britain (Conn.) Record: I have a new collector of property tax. Who has already begun to swing his axe. In collecting back taxes he'll have uphill work. Because his predecessors their duty did shirk.]

The Town and City Clerk record all events, Births, marriages and interments, Mortgages, loans, bills of sale, Dog tax and license to sell liquor and ale.

The Board of Health has three M. D.'s in number, A bacteriologist, businessman and flumbeur. The bugs and germs will have to die. Against this combination they cannot get by.

(NO RELIEF IN SIGHT.)

Yesterday's street temperature: 80; yesterday's Conning Tower temperature: 80.

The athletic Playboys of the Western World are having a regular massacre.

Dublin, Dublin, toll and trouble!

F. P. A.

WAR.



THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN

An Open Forum for Public Debate.

TO TEACH SERBIA A LESSON

Austria's Only Object in Going to War, It Is Said.

To the Editor of The Tribune.
Sir: May I speak a word of protest against the tenor of your editorial in your issue of to-day, headed "Austria-Hungary Hot for War?" The Dual Monarchy is not "hot for war"; it is merely determined, after years of patient protest, to teach Serbia a lesson that it will not forget in a hurry.

Belgrade is the centre of a movement that the last years have fomented discontent and insurrection among the Austro-Hungarian Serbs. Its only argument is a hazy "nationalism" based on the imaginary glories of a Serbian Empire in the fourteenth century. The historical fact is that this famous empire lasted just ten years! It was a Serbian-Greek empire at that, and its civilization was that of Byzantium. "Nationalism" has its civilizations have always been imposed upon it from without—from the west, from Venice and Austria-Hungary.

To-day the most prosperous, the best educated parts of the Serb race own both their prosperity and their enlightenment to Austria-Hungary. The percentage of illiteracy in the Serbian Kingdom is 85 per cent; in Bosnia-Herzegovina it has been reduced to 40 per cent during the forty years of Austro-Hungarian administration. But the Serb listens to the voice of Russia. He won't like Russian "civilization" if he ever gets it.

Austria-Hungary is not "hot for war"; not her interests in the Balkans are her first concern in the present case, but the preservation of peace and order in her own southern dominions. Assassination is the only argument of which Serbia is capable. Between the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga, with its unprintable grotesque mutilation of the Queen's body, and the murder of Francis Ferdinand and his wife, there has been that proof of the brotherly love of the Balkan races, the attempted assassination of Nicholas of Montenegro shortly before the Balkan war, an attempt whose story was suppressed for the sake of harmony. And the bomb that was to have been thrown at Cetinje, like the bomb that failed to kill the archduke and his wife, came from the royal arsenal at Belgrade, whence issued also the murderers of Alexander and his Queen. The Serbian government has done more than merely tolerate attempts upon the lives of neighboring rulers. Of this there is abundant proof, though it has not always been made public.

Austria-Hungary is going to clean out this nest of assassins, which was only yesterday put outside the pale of civilization by the great powers of Europe, regarding the Serbs as a political alignment. If Russia decides to proclaim her sympathy with this most backward, most degraded of all the Balkan states, then the responsibility for the great war that may ensue will rest on her shoulders. And if she conquers, Russia's ally, England, will be the first to feel her power in her Indian frontier. But by no effort of logic can the responsibility for that war be placed on the head of the Dual Monarchy.

Internal reforms are no doubt needed in Austria-Hungary. They are bound to come; they are already in process of realization. But their coming will be retarded, not hastened, by Serbian assassins and Cossacks of the Don. Not the future of Austrian influence in the Balkans or the balance of power in Europe, but the civilization of the West against the barbarism of Russia

IN DEFENCE OF HAYTI

Correspondent Speaks of a "Grossly Exaggerated Press Campaign" Against Her.

To the Editor of The Tribune.
Sir: Being very close to the political and general situations in Hayti and having been in intimate business relations with that little black republic for the last six years I have followed with interest the recent activity of the press directed against her.

From the viewpoint of people acquainted with conditions as they have existed in Hayti during the recent past, and familiar with her resources, her railroads, harbor facilities, her commerce and agriculture, and especially the character of her population, it seems but obvious that this press campaign is grossly exaggerated, utterly untrue and designed to remedy the unfortunate outcome of certain enterprises, brought on by mismanagement and waste, for which the Haytian government can in no way be held responsible. The blame for this attaches solely to those parties who about four years ago entered that republic for the purpose of building a railroad without having an accurate survey of all local and topographical conditions made previously. In other words, as it has been expressed to the writer in person, "if those niggers will not do as we want them to do we will whip them into obedience, and Washington will stand behind us."

Hayti will always welcome the development of her great natural resources, but after granting concessions in good faith to foreign citizens or subjects, she will not allow those foreign citizens or subjects, under the flag of their respective governments, to enter upon a campaign of plunder against her government and place her citizens in their pay for the purpose of helping them by means of civil warfare.

As will be readily seen from recent press reports, Hayti is fully able to suppress any revolt against her government and to take care of herself, and the present newspaper campaign directed against her is not founded upon facts, is utterly unjust and calculated to influence the public mind against her.

BOUCK WHITE'S IMPRISONMENT

To the Editor of The Tribune.
Sir: In your issue of to-day I notice the protest of H. A. L. against the infamous imprisonment of Bouck White. "What do the people think?"

I happen to know what a considerable number of people think on this subject, and I am certain that if the decision were left to a fair-minded jury of citizens Bouck White would be free to-morrow. But he is guilty of the offence for which the Gallien Carpenter was crucified, "he stirred up the people." And in this government "of the people, by the people, and for the people" this seems to be a sort of treason. The moneyed power that could arrogantly refuse to re-

HINMAN WELCOMED.

Ex-Senator Harvey D. Hinman has long been known as one of the few men in the state able to state a proposition in a few words.

In announcing himself as a candidate for Governor in the Republican primaries he says:

"The great issue in New York State politics this year is to establish honest and efficient government."

That is what the people want—Knickerbocker Press.

The announcement by ex-Senator Harvey D. Hinman of his candidacy for Governor in the Republican primaries and of his intention to lead the fight for a complete reorganization of the Republican party, and especially for the elimination of William Barnes, Jr., from the leadership, has created a most profound impression in all parts of the state and has made sure a sweeping Republican victory—Binghamton Republican-Herald.

Mr. Hinman's announcement of his candidacy will be received with gratification by all citizens who desire to see orderly and decent government restored in the state. It will be especially gratifying to "Hughes Republicans." Many Republicans have felt that Mr. Hinman could best serve his party and the state in the United States Senate as the fitting successor of Ethel Root, but the candidacy of both Representative Calder and James W. Wadsworth, Jr., made it unwise for Mr. Hinman to enter the Senatorial race. Now that he has announced his candidacy in the Republican primary for Governor the party will have a man worthy of the office in either Mr. Whitman or Mr. Hinman—Jamestown Post.

When the Republicans have the opportunity to nominate such a man (Mr. Hinman) to head their ticket in this campaign they ought, and doubtless will, avail themselves of it, not only cheerfully but enthusiastically.—The Press.

While the personal and political elements are so conspicuously united as in his case it will need to be a strong man who will supersede Harvey D. Hinman in the favor of the Republican voters.—Troy Times.

Mr. Hinman's announcement of his candidacy has been welcomed by a majority of the Republican press of the state. They feel that he is the best unifying force, and the fact that Colonel Roosevelt, as leader of the Progressive party, has endorsed it shows this to be the fact.—Watertown Daily Times.

In a well written and convincing statement published yesterday morning Colonel Roosevelt tells why he thinks the Progressives and all other good citizens should support Hon. Harvey D. Hinman, who is a candidate in the Republican primaries for that party's gubernatorial nomination. This is a time when the friends of good government should get together and by their votes secure what goodness knows the state greatly needs.—Utica Press.

The announcement of former Senator Harvey D. Hinman that he will enter the Republican primaries as an anti-boss candidate is heartening to men of all governors who are weary of boss rule. It is precisely the kind of declaration that is needed to give form and direction to a movement to rid the Republican party of machine control and to avert the threatened repetition of the machine made nominations.—Rochester Herald.

AN AMERICAN.

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